

## EDUCATION & CERTIFICATIONS

<b>Master of Fine Arts</b> Photography // Academy of Art University // San Francisco, CA	2016
<b>Bachelor of Fine Arts</b> Photography // Illinois Institute of Art // Chicago, IL	2011
<b>Associates in Science</b> Commercial Photography // Art Institute of Fort Lauderdale // Fort Lauderdale, FL	2004
Adobe Associate Certification // Photoshop CC	2017

## EXPERIENCE

**PHOTOGRAPHY INSTRUCTOR** Stanford University, CA 05/2021 – Present

- Photography Instructor for IT- Stanford Department
- Curriculum development for post-secondary education, prepare course syllabi, visuals, lectures, assignments, etc.
- Courses include: Foundations: Smart Photography, Photoshop for beginners, Intermediate and Advanced
- Online – remote course curriculum

**PHOTOGRAPHY ASSOCIATE INSTRUCTOR** University of Utah- College of Fine Arts, UT 01/2019 – Present

- Photography Adjunct Associate Instructor for the Department of Art & Art History - College of Fine Arts
- Curriculum development for post-secondary education, prepare course syllabi, exams, visuals, lectures, assignments, etc.
- Courses include: Foundations: Seeing & Non Major Digital Photography – ART 2207 & ART 2060
- Online, hybrid and in-person course curriculum
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**GRAPHIC DESIGN ASSOCIATE ADJUNCT INSTRUCTOR** Westminster College, UT Spring Semesters Only

- Graphic design Adjunct Associate Instructor for the Arts & Sciences Department – 2019-2020, 2021-2022
- Curriculum development for post-secondary education, prepare course syllabi, exams, visuals, lectures, assignments, etc.
- Courses include: Multimedia Image Production - CMM 322
- Online, hybrid and in-person course curriculum
- Collaborate and report to Dean of Department

**INSTRUCTOR CONTINUING EDUCATION DEPARTMENT** University of Utah, UT 08/2018 – Present

- Photography Instructor for the Lifelong Education Department- Continuing Education
- Collaborate and coordinate with other administrative staff
- Curriculum development for post-secondary education, prepare course syllabi, visuals, lessons, assignments etc.
- Courses include: Food Photography, DSLR Basics (Nuts & Bolts), Nuts & Bolts II- location & Portrait Photography LLART 913, LLART 203, LLART 219 LLART 314
- Online, hybrid and in-person course curriculum, course created in English & Spanish

**INSTRUCTOR/ARTIST IN RESIDENCE – PHOTOGRAPHY** Alexander W. Dreyfoos School of the Arts, FL 06/2015 – 11/2017

- Photography instructor for 9<sup>th</sup>–12<sup>th</sup> grade student courses in traditional, digital, experimental photography, darkroom techniques, experimental photography, studio and post-production practices
- Develop syllabi and curriculum for courses, including lectures on traditional & digital photography, digital imaging, Photoshop practices and professional photographic development.
- Conduct portfolio reviews, including acceptance of new students into the program
- Equipment maintenance – traditional and digital
- Collaborate with faculty and staff, report to Dean of Department
- Provide leadership development opportunities for students outside the school environment
- Curatorial work for end of year art exhibitions; Senior Art Show, Spring and Fall Shows
- Prepare students for end-of-year Adobe Associate certification exam
- Coordinate and maintain up- to-date photography inventory

# ERIKA CESPEDES

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## TEACHING ARTIST Norton Museum of Art, FL

11/2014 – 11/2017

- Develop and facilitate bilingual painting, drawing, sculpture, photography and mix media art classes for underserved communities
  - Coordinate and collaborate with instructors, & museum staff
  - Allocate art material budget for programming within the sites managed
  - Order supplies, maintain budget, attend quarterly meetings, data entry, implement post / pre-evaluations, track progress in each art session designed for the sites
  - Curate student exhibitions throughout the year
  - Maintain and develop relationships involving public art projects in the community
  - Collaborate with community centers teaching one-day courses and workshops reflecting social, political, economic & cultural affairs of the community.
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| Highridge Family Center      | Therapeutic art workshops for at-risk youth teens          |
| Farm Worker Council          | Bilingual introduction to art courses for migrant students |
| Compass LGBTQ Center         | Creative workshops for teenagers exploring identity        |
| Family Studio Norton Museum  | Family workshops themed on current museum exhibitions      |
| Art After Dark Norton Museum | One day evening workshops                                  |

## FINE ART & COMMERCIAL PHOTOGRAPHER

06/2004 – Present

- Photography exhibit curator- various galleries nationwide
- Lead photographer for national commercial & advertising agencies - identify, conceptualize and produce photographic prints, brochures and layouts for distribution in digital and print medium
- Photographer for corporate industries including weddings, quinces, bar/bat mitzvahs, food & beverage, fashion, portraits and headshots, product, corporate branding and book publications
- Studio Management, schedule sessions, administer quality control, payroll & customer service
- Post-production work includes retouching, archiving, restoration, filing and cataloging digital work

## CURATORIAL WORK

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| 2019 | 16 weeks Pop-Up Exhibition, <b>Downtown Artist Collective</b> , Lead Curator-Salt Lake City, UT  |
| 2019 | Youth VOA Photography exhibition “Through the lens” <b>Maud’s Cafe and Public Art Mural</b> Lead Instructor and Curator-Salt Lake City, UT |
| 2018 | Continuum WPB 2018 <b>Pop Up Gallery Public Art</b> - Young Masters Lead Curator-West Palm Beach, FL                                       |
| 2017 | Summer of Architecture 2017 Collaborative, <b>Norton Museum of Art</b> Co-Curator-West Palm Beach, FL                                      |
| 2017 | Picture Perfection, <b>Marjorie Fisher Gallery</b> , Coordinator & Guest Curator-West Palm Beach, FL                                       |
| 2016 | Continuum WPB 2017- <b>Pop Up Gallery Public Art</b> - Guest Curator for Young Masters-West Palm Beach, FL                                 |
| 2016 | A.W Dreyfoos School of the Arts Senior Art Show, Curator, <b>Armory Art Center</b> -West Palm Beach, FL                                    |
| 2015 | A.W Dreyfoos School of the Arts Senior Art Show, Curator, <b>Armory Art Center</b> -West Palm Beach, FL                                    |
| 2015 | Everglades Summer Collaborative 2015, <b>Norton Museum of Art</b> Co-Curator-West Palm Beach, FL   |
| 2015 | Gray Mockingbird Community, Lead Artist for <b>Community Mural Design</b> -Lake Worth, FL  |
| 2013 | SPS Club Student Show <b>Illinois Institute of Art-Chicago</b> , Guest Curator-Chicago, IL   |

## EXHIBITIONS

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| 2021 | 16 <sup>th</sup> National Photography Competition, <b>Fotofoto Gallery</b> -Huntington, NY                        |
| 2019 | 7 <sup>th</sup> Anniversary Invitational, <b>Florida Museum of Photographic Art</b> -Tampa, FL                    |
| 2019 | <b>Solo Exhibition</b> “Unborn” <b>Salt Lake City Main Library- Lower Level Urban Gallery</b> -Salt Lake City, UT |
| 2019 | Pop-Up Art, <b>Sundial Gallery</b> -Saint Petersburg, FL  |
| 2018 | Anniversary Invitational, <b>Florida Museum of Photographic Art</b> -Tampa, FL                                    |

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- 2018 33<sup>rd</sup> Annual Spiritual & Religious Show, **Springville Museum of Art**-Springville, UT
- 2018 DAC Anniversary, **Downtown Artist Collective Gallery**-Salt Lake City, UT
- 2018 Play with Your Food, **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2018 Educators & Artists, **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2018 94<sup>th</sup> Annual Spring Salon, **Springville Museum of Art**-Springville, UT
- 2017 me.exhibition, **The Box Art Gallery**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2017 National Juried Photography Art Exhibition, **Academy Center of the Arts**-Lynchburg, VA
- 2017 Untamed, **Art Serve Galley**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2017 Group Show by Art Synergy, **Art Boca Raton**-Boca Raton, FL
- 2017 XxX, **Cultural Council of Palm Beach County Gallery**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2017 Continuum WPB 2017-**Pop Up Gallery**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2016 Doll Parts, **Resource Depot GalleRE**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2016 Photography Invitational, **Art Gallery at Eissey Campus**-Palm Beach Gardens, FL
- 2016 Speak their Names, **Flamingo Clay Gallery**-Lake Worth, FL
- 2016 What's Your Elephant?, **1310 Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2016 Spring Show 2016, **Academy of Art University Gallery**-San Francisco, CA
- 2016 Art Synergy, **Art Boca Raton**-Boca Raton, FL
- 2016 Collaborations and Mix Mediums, **Marjorie S. Fisher Gallery**-West Palm Beach, FL
- 2016 artBRAVO! **Art Serve Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Art Is... **1310 Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 2015 All Media Biennial, **Art and Culture Center**-Hollywood, FL
- 2015 Art at the Airport- **Art in Public Places**, Palm Beach County-Palm Beach, FL
- 2015 Inside-Out Art as Healing Therapy, **Art Serve Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Art = Antidote to Hate, **Art Serve Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2015 Icon 5<sup>th</sup> Annual Women Art Show, **Pride Center**-Wilton Manors, FL
- 2015 artBRAVO! **Art Serve Gallery**-Fort Lauderdale, FL
- 2014 Spring Show, **Water Street Studios**-Batavia, IL
- 2013 Exposed, **Side Street Studios**-Elgin, IL
- 2013 Copy.right?, **33 Contemporary**-Chicago, IL
- 2012 Halloween Dreams, **Studio 659**-Whiting, IN
- 2011 Untitled, **Lillstreet Art Gallery**-Chicago, IL
- 2011 Intimacy & Voyeurism, **4 Art Inc.**-Chicago, IL
- 2011 Imagine, **4 Art Inc.**-Chicago, IL

## AWARDS

- 2017 Juror's Choice Award Carolyn Russo **Academy Center of the Arts** Lynchburg, VA
- 2017 Educator Silver Medal **Scholastic Art & Writing National Awards** New York, NY
- 2017 Juror's Choice Established Artist judged by Bruce Helander XxX Exhibition **Cultural Council Palm Beach County**, FL
- 2017 Second Best in Show **Continuum WPB Arts "Joe" Award** www.Talentjoe.com
- 2015 Third Place in Show Judged by Paul Fisher **Art in Public Places** Palm Beach County, FL

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## COMMISSIONS

- Schmidt, Albert, and John P. Laloganes. *The Beverage Manager's Guide to Wines, Beers and Spirits*. 4th ed. Boston: Pearson, 2017. Print.
- Valys, Phillip. "In Wilton Manors, World-Changing Women." *Sun-Sentinel* [Broward County] 22 Mar. 2015: 2. Print.
- Stankey, Sarah. "Favorite Photographs of 2012." *Fine Art Photography Daily*. LENS CRATCH, 1 Jan. 2013. Web.
- Schmidt, Albert, and John P. Laloganes. *The Beverage Manager's Guide to Wines, Beers and Spirits*. 3rd ed. Boston: Pearson, 2011. Print.
- Labute, Neil. "Bash." *Chicago Theater Beat*. N.p., 12 Oct. 2010. Web.

## LANGUAGES

English, fluent speaking and writing.  
Spanish, fluent speaking and writing.